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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: IRAQ/GAZA

11. SUMMARY: THE DETERIORATING SITUATION IN BOTH IRAQ AND GAZA

DOMINATED COVERAGE IN LOCAL PRINT AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA. AN EDITORIAL IN "AL KHALEEJ" NOTED THAT WHAT IS HAPPENING IN BOTH IRAQ AND PALESTINE MIGHT SHIFT VERY SOON TO ANOTHER ARAB COUNTRY. AN EDITORIAL IN "AKHBAR AL ARAB" POINTED OUT THAT THE ASSASSINATION OF HEAD OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL EZZEDINE SALEEM REVEALS THAT THE U.S. FORCES ARE NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE SECURITY IN IRAQ. ANOTHER EDITORIAL IN "AL KHALEEJ" NOTED THAT HANDING OVER IRAQ TO IRAQIS AND MAINTAINING U.S. MILITARY EXISTENCE MEANS THAT IRAQ WILL STILL BE OCCUPIED. END SUMMARY.

12. UNDER THE HEADLINE "AN ARAB SUMMIT IN RAFAH," SHARJAH-BASED ARABIC DAILY "AL-KHALEEJ" EDITORIALIZED 05/19:
(CIRCULATION 95,000)

". WHAT RAFAH IS GOING THROUGH RIGHT IN FRONT OF ALL ARABS FROM EAST TO WEST IS ONLY A PRELUDE TO WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE WHOLE REGION IN THIS ERA WHERE EVERYTHING IS ALLOWED. THE AMERICAN/ZIONIST EVIL WAVES THAT ARE HITTING PALESTINE AND IRAQ WILL NOT STOP AT ANY BORDER IF THE PEOPLE OF THE SUMMIT DON'T MOVE BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE. MAYBE IT IS BETTER THAT THE ARAB SUMMIT TAKES PLACE THIS TIME IN RAFAH, THAT IS IF BUSH AND SHARON KEEP ANY STONE ON TOP OF THE OTHER OR A PLACE WHERE THERE IS NO BLOOD!"

13. NOTING THAT THERE IS INTERNATIONAL SILENCE REGARDING SHARON'S CRIMES, DUBAI-BASED BUSINESS-ORIENTED "AL BAYAN" EDITORIALIZED 05/19:(CIRCULATION 30,000)

". WHAT IS THIS INTERNATIONAL SILENCE TOWARDS THE KILLERS AND CRIMINALS OF WAR WHO ARE GOVERNING THE ZIONIST TERRORIST ENTITY THAT IS DESTROYING EVERYTHING IN THE CITY OF RAFAH IN PALESTINE? WHERE IS THE DIGNITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY?. WHERE IS THE UNITED NATIONS, IT PUNISHES WHOEVER GETS THE U.S. MAD AND EXCLUDES WHOEVER IT (THE U.S.) IS PROTECTING EVEN IF THEY COMMITTED ALL KINDS OF CRIMES?!"

14. COMMENTING ON THE ASSASSINATION OF THE HEAD OF THE IRAQI GOVERNING COUNCIL EZZEDINE SALEEM AND NOTING THAT THIS IS A TERRORIST ATTACK, ABU DHABI-BASED SEMI-GOVERNMENT "AL ITTIHAD" EDITORIALIZED 05/18:(CIRCULATION 100,000)

". THIS VERY DISTURBING SCENE WITH THE PILING UP OF MISTAKES OF THE COALITION FORCES WILL DEFINITELY LEAD TO MORE TERRORISM. THIS UGLY CRIME SYMBOLIZES A CLEAR MESSAGE FROM THE TERRORISTS AND THE ENEMIES OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY WHICH IS TRYING TO DESTROY THE ALREADY STUMBLING POLITICAL SITUATION IN IRAQ AND TRYING TO STOP HANDING OVER IRAQ TO IRAQIS."

15. NOTING THAT THE ASSASSINATION OF EZZEDINE SALEEM REVEALS THAT THE U.S. FORCES ARE NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE SECURITY IN IRAQ, ABU DHABI-BASED ARABIC DAILY "AKHBAR AL-ARAB" EDITORIALIZED 05/18:
(CIRCULATION 20,000)

". THE OCCUPATION'S CLAIM THAT THEY ARE TRYING TO RESTORE SECURITY IN IRAQ IS NOW DROPPED, BECAUSE WHOEVER DOES NOT HAVE SECURITY CAN'T PROVIDE IT TO OTHERS. THE OCCUPATION SHOULD LOOK FOR OTHER WAYS -RATHER THAN KILLING, MILITARY OPERATIONS, AND CHASING CAMPAIGNS- TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR ITS FORCES, IN THE SAME TIME IRAQIS SHOULD START THINKING OF THE BEST NATIONAL MEANS TO RESTORE STABILITY AND PUT AN END TO CHAOS."

16. CRITICIZING THE ARAB SILENCE TOWARDS WHAT IS HAPPENING IN IRAQ AND PALESTINE, "AL KHALEEJ" EDITORIALIZED 05/17:

". WHOEVER ALLOWS KILLING THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE BY SHARON AND TORTURING AND HUMILIATING THE IRAQIS BY BUSH WILL NOT BE MOVED BY ANYTHING IN THE NEAR OR FAR FUTURE TOWARDS ANY OTHER ARAB NATION. WILL THE ARABS MOVE BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE AND BEFORE OTHER ARAB NECKS ARE HANDED TO THE AMERICAN-ZIONIST GUILLOTINE?"

17. NOTING THAT HANDING OVER IRAQ TO IRAQIS WITH MAINTAINING THE U.S. MILITARY EXISTENCE MEANS THAT IRAQ WILL STILL BE OCCUPIED, "AL KHALEEJ" EDITORIALIZED 05/16:

". WHEN THE U.S. TALKS ABOUT HANDING OVER IRAQ TO IRAQIS WHILE MAINTAINING ITS OCCUPATION, IT IS TRYING TO PROVIDE AN INTERNAL LEGITIMATE COVER FOR ITS OCCUPATION, IN ADDITION TO TRYING TO PROVIDE AN INTERNATIONAL LEGITIMATE COVER THROUGH PRESSURES TO

ANNOUNCE A NEW RESOLUTION BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL REGARDING
HANDING OVER IRAQ WITH MAINTAINING OCCUPATION."

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